

## ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

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## **Delinquent Water-use Registration**

Any person who fails to register qualified ground and/or surface water withdrawals by March 1, as required by state law, shall be classified and a delinquent water user and in addition to registration fees, must pay penalty fees for late registration as follows:

**1<sup>st</sup> Failure** - to register by March 1: Written notice

2<sup>nd</sup> Failure - to register by April 1: \$25.00 fee

**3<sup>rd</sup> Failure** - to register by June 30: \$50.00 fee

4<sup>th</sup> Failure - to register by September 30: \$100.00 fee

The Commission and/or conservation districts shall not accept late registration without payment of all applicable fees and penalties.

Late registration penalties are to be assessed per registrant, not per withdrawal point.

The Commission, by its Executive Director, may assess fees as provided by Ark. Code Ann. § 15-22-302 if it is determined that a registrant continues to fail to register following September 30 deadline.

The maximum annual penalty per registrant is \$500 whether for ground or surface water use or both.

Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 15-22-911(e) (3), a water right may be cancelled for failure to report water use for two (2) consecutive years under Ark. Code Ann. § 15-22-302 or failure to pay the fee as set out in Ark. Code Ann. § 15-22-913 for two (2) consecutive years.